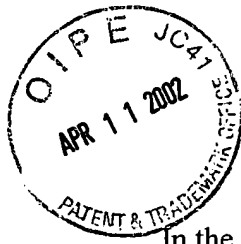


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(MBHB Case No. 01-1731)

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Serial No.: 10/068,457 ) Group Art Unit: 2131  
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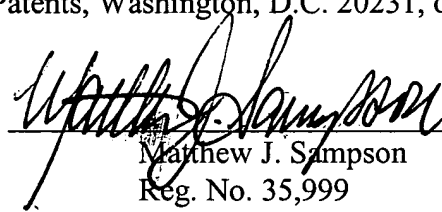
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1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
  - A. Response to Missing Parts;
  - B. Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
  - C. Declaration and Power of Attorney;
  - D. Return Receipt Postcard; and
  - E. Check for \$789.00
2. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION: Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayments to the Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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Consideration and entry of this response is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
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- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$354.
  - \$270 for 30 total claims over 20.
  - \$84 for 2 independent claims over 3.
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